

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-26. (Canceled)

27. (Previously presented) An isolated and purified alpha-1-acid glycoprotein (AAG) having a lipopolysaccharide (LPS) concentration of less than or equal to 0.1 Eu/mg AAG.

28. (Previously presented) The AAG of claim 27 wherein the AAG has a LPS level of less than 0.075 Eu/mg AAG.

29. (Previously presented) The AAG of claim 27 wherein the AAG has a LPS level of less than 0.050 Eu/mg AAG.

30. (Previously presented) A virus inactivated or a virus depleted preparation of the AAG of claim 27.

31-33. (Canceled)

34. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the AAG of claim 27 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, excipient, diluent, or combination thereof.

35. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 34, wherein the AAG comprises less than 0.075 Eu LPS/mg AAG.

36. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 35, wherein the AAG

comprises less than 0.050 Eu LPS/mg AAG.

37. (Previously presented) The pharmaceutical composition of claim 36, wherein the AAG comprises less than 0.02 Eu LPS/mg AAG.

38-45. (Canceled)